

REMARKS

Applicant has studied the Election/Restriction Requirement of August 5, 2004. Claims 1-30 are in the case. The Examiner has required restriction to one of the following two groups of the claimed invention:

Group I. Species I, corresponding to Figs. 4 and 8 (an encoder and a flow chart for partitioning moving picture data); and

Group II. Species II, corresponding to Figs. 7 and 9 (a decoder and a flow chart for partitioning moving picture data).

In response to the Examiner's election requirement, applicant hereby provisionally elects species I, corresponding to Figs. 4 and 8, of which claims 1-20 and 29-30 read thereon.

Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected claims.

Respectfully submitted,
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